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Sir:

Applicants acknowledge the Official Action mailed March 20, 2001. Official Action did not, however, include an initialed Form PTO-1449 acknowledging the Information Disclosure Statement filed November 10, 1999. Therefore, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner evidence consideration of the references cited in the IDS of November 10, 1999 by providing a copy of the initialed Form PTO-1449.

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